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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS CONTROL PIO/C 5-70026 - VAN, PANEL

REF: MAY 3RD TELECON BETWEEN ARROYO/BOLIVIA AND BROWN
AID/W

1. PER THE REFERENCED CONVERSATION, WE HAVE AUTHORIZED
THE PROCURING AGENCY (GSA) TO PROCEED WITH PURCHASE OF THE
SUBJECT VEHICLE. THE FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT DEVIATIONS
FROM THE BASIC SPECS:

A. VEHICLE TO BE EQUIPPED WITH A SIX (6) CYLINDER 300 CID
ENGINE IN LIEU OF THE SPECIFIED 351 CID V-8 ENGINE.

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(DEALER REPORTS THE 300 CID ENGINE ESSENTUALLY
EQUIVALENT TO THE V-8 ENGINE FOR POWER).

B. VEHICLE TO BE EQUIPPED WITH 3-SPEED MANUAL TRANSMISSION
IN LIEU OF THE REQUESTED 4-SPEED MANUAL TRANSMISSION.

2. GSA ALSO REPORTS THAT THE COLOR OF THE VAN IS LIGHT

BLUE AND REAR SEATS ARE TO BE INSTALLED AT EXTRA COST.

3. THE ABOVE DEVIATIONS ARE THE RESULTS OF GSA HAVING TO SOLICIT BIDS FROM LOCAL DEALERS RATHER THAN FROM MANUFACTURERS WHICH IS CUSTOMARY. MANUFACTURERS CURRENT

DELIVERY SCHEDULES VARY FROM 150-180 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER WHICH WOULD HAVE PRECLUDED OUR MEETING THE FIRST-OF-JULY SHIPPING DATE.

4. HOWEVER, TO THE EXTENT TIME AND FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND WHERE FEASIBLE, CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO THE SELECTED VEHICLE TO BRING IT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORIGINAL SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. CHRISTOPHER

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